IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA WESTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

SCOTT ALAN HARE,

Defendant.

No. 09-CR-4038-DEO

ORDER

ACCEPTING REPORT AND
RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING
GUILTY PLEA

I. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

On January 27, 2010, a three count Third Superseding Indictment (Docket No. 75) was returned in the above-referenced case. The Third Superseding Indictment also contained a forfeiture allegation.

Count 1 of the Third Superseding Indictment charges that on or between about October 2005, and February 4, 2009, in the Northern District of Iowa and elsewhere, defendant Scott Alan Hare and other named co-defendants, knowingly and unlawfully combined, conspired, confederated, and agreed with each other and other persons, known and unknown to the Grand Jury to:

(1) manufacture 50 grams or more of actual (pure) methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(A);

- (2) distribute 50 grams or more of actual (pure) methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(A);
- (3) distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine mixture, a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(B);
- (4) manufacture 50 grams or more of actual (pure) methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, within 1,000 feet of the Marcus-Meridan-Cleghorn High School, located at 500 E. Fenton, Marcus, Cherokee County, Iowa, and the Cherokee School District Early Childhood Learning Center, located at 400 N. Roosevelt, Cherokee County, Iowa, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1), 841(b)(1)(A), and 860(a);
- (5) distribute 50 grams or more of actual (pure) methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, within 1,000 feet of the Marcus-Meridan-Cleghorn High School and Elementary School, located at 500 E. Fenton, Marcus, Cherokee County, Iowa, and the Cherokee County School District Early

Childhood Learning Center, located at 400 N. Roosevelt, Cherokee County, Iowa, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1), 841(b)(1)(A), and 860(a);

- (6) distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine mixture, a Schedule II controlled substance, within 1,000 feet of the Marcus-Meridan-Cleghorn High School and Elementary School, located at 500 E. Fenton, Marcus, Cherokee County, Iowa, and the Cherokee School District Early Childhood Learning Center, located at 400 N. Roosevelt, Cherokee County, Iowa, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1), 841(b)(1)(B), and 860(a);
- (7) distribute pseudoephedrine, a List I chemical, knowing and having reasonable cause to believe that the pseudoephedrine would be used to manufacture methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(c)(2); and
- (8) possess pseudoephedrine, a List I chemical, with intent to manufacture methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(c)(1);

after defendant, Scott Alan Hare, was previously convicted of

at least one felony drug offense, to wit: on November 13, 2001, defendant, Scott Alan Hare, was convicted in the Iowa District Court for Ida County, of the felony crime of Conspiracy to Deliver Methamphetamine, in Case Number FECR005492.

This was in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 846, 851, and 860(a).

Count 2 of the Third Superseding Indictment charges that on or about October 12, 2005, continuing through January 28, 2009, in the Northern District of Iowa and elsewhere, defendant, Scott Alan Hare, traveled on one or more occurrences, including but not limited to the following:

<u>DATE</u> <u>LOCATION</u>

10/12/2005 Wal-Mart-Worthington, Minnesota

10/12/2005 Shopko-Worthington, Minnesota

in interstate commerce from Iowa to and from Minnesota with intent to promote, manage, establish, and carry on, and to facilitate the promotion, management, establishment and carrying on of an unlawful activity, that is a business enterprise involving the manufacture and distribution of controlled substances, in violation of Title 21, United States

Code, Sections 841 and 846, and thereafter performed and attempted to perform acts to promote, manage, establish, and carry on, and to facilitate the promotion, management, establishment, and carrying on of said unlawful activity.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1952(a)(3).

Count 3 of the Third Superseding Indictment charges that on or about November 1, 2008, in the Northern District of Iowa, defendant, Scott Alan Hare, and a named co-defendant, knowingly and intentionally manufactured and attempted to manufacture: 50 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance; and, 5 grams or more of actual (pure) methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, after defendant Scott Alan Hare was previously convicted of at least one felony drug offense, to wit: On November 13, 2001, defendant, Scott Alan Hare, was convicted in the Iowa District Court for Ida County, of the felony crime of Conspiracy to Deliver Methamphetamine, in Case Number FECR005492.

This was in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1), 841(b)(1)(B), 846, and 851.

The Third Superseding Indictment contains a forfeiture allegation stating that upon conviction of one or more of the controlled substance offenses alleged in Count 1 of this Indictment, co-defendants and defendant Scott Alan Hare; and Count 3 of this Indictment, a co-defendant and defendant Scott Alan Hare, shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853, any property constituting, or derived from, proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as a result of the said violations and any property used, or intended to be used, in any manner, or part, to commit, or to facilitate the commission of the said violations, including but not limited to the following:

MONEY JUDGMENT

A sum of money equal to \$10,000 in United States currency, representing the amount of proceeds generated from illegal activity.

If any of the above-described forfeitable property, as a result of any actual or omission of the defendant:

1) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;

- 2) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
- 3) has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court;
- 4) has been substantially diminished in value; or
- be divided without difficulty; it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. §853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of said defendant up to the value of the forfeitable property described above.

On April 21, 2010, defendant, Scott Alan Hare, appeared before Chief United States Magistrate Judge Paul A. Zoss and entered a plea of guilty to Counts One and Three of the Third Superseding Indictment, under a plea agreement filed under seal at Docket No. 116-1.

In the Report and Recommendation (Docket No. 119, 04/21/2010), Chief United States Magistrate Judge Paul A. Zoss recommends that defendant Scott Alan Hare's guilty plea be accepted. No objections to Judge Zoss's Report and Recommendation were filed. The Court, therefore, undertakes

the necessary review to accept defendant Scott Alan Hare's plea in this case.

II. ANALYSIS

A. Standard of Review

Pursuant to statue, this Court's standard of review for a magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation is as follows:

A judge of the court shall make a de novo determination of those portions of the report or specified proposed findings or recommendations to which objection is made. A judge of the court may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate [judge].

28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). Similarly, Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 72(b) provides for review of a magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation on dispositive motions and prisoner petitions, where objections are made as follows:

The district judge to whom the case is assigned shall make a de novo determination upon the record, or after additional evidence, of any portion of the magistrate judge's disposition to which specific written objection has been made in accordance with this rule. The district judge may accept, reject, or modify the recommendation decision, receive further evidence, or recommit the matter to the magistrate judge with instructions.

FED. R. CIV. P. 72(b).

In this case, no objections have been filed, and it appears to the Court upon review of Chief Magistrate Judge Zoss's findings and conclusions that there are no grounds to reject or modify them.

IT IS THEREFORE HEREBY ORDERED that this Court accepts Chief Magistrate Judge Zoss's Report and Recommendation (Docket No. 119), and accepts defendant Scott Alan Hare's plea of guilty in this case to Counts 1 and 3 of the Third Superseding Indictment (Docket No. 75).

IT IS SO ORDERED this 10th day of August, 2010.

Donald E. O'Brien, Senior Judge United States District Court

Northern District of Iowa